

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION CHECKLIST
Carson National Forest

Project Name: Michelle Smith Driveway

District: D-1, Canjilon RD

Project Description: Project will issue a Special Use Permit for a 0.26 mile driveway near and adjacent to the intersection of FR 125 and FDR 124 (existing 2 track, inventoried route # UD1_170) near Canjilon, NM in Rio Arriba County for purposes of access to private land. Three (3) cross drain culverts are also proposed for purposes of maintaining road surface conditions and minimizing sediment transport from road drainage

This project is located within the Headwaters Rio Cebolla sub-watershed (HUC 130201020502).

Category: xxxxx

Rationale:

Project File and Decision Memo Required? Yes

Resource conditions that should be considered in determining whether extraordinary circumstances related to the proposed action warrant further analysis and documentation in an EA or EIS include:

Extraordinary Circumstances (From FSH 1909.15, sec. 31.2)	Specialist Signature & Date	Comments/Determination
Flood plains, wetlands, or municipal watersheds	Greg Miller Soil Scientist, Watershed Program Manager 02/22/2021	This project does not occur within a floodplain or wetland. The Land and Resource Management Plan for the Carson NF (1986) does not recognize any municipal watersheds within the forest boundary.

* The mere presence of one or more of these resource conditions does not preclude use of a categorical exclusion. It is the degree of the potential effect of a proposed action on these resource conditions that determines whether extraordinary circumstances exist.

* Scoping is required on all proposed actions, including those that would appear to be categorically excluded. No single scoping technique is required or prescribed.

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Project Leader

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Date